

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A self-closing drawer guide comprising
 - a guide rail for attachment to a body wall of an item of furniture[.];
 - a running rail for attachment to a furniture drawer, ~~which the~~ running rail is being movably supported relative to the guide rail; and
 - a ratchet housing arranged ~~on one of either the running rail or the guide rail~~[.];
 - a movable ratchet element residing in the ratchet housing, the ratchet element is pretensioned in first and second positions that are spaced apart in a relative movement direction of the guide rail and running rail,
 - the ratchet element comprising a receptacle adapted to receive a catch when the ~~guide rail and the running rail move~~ moves relative to the guide rail and approaches a closed position, thereby disengaging the pretensioned movable ratchet element from the corresponding first position and moving the ratchet element by spring tension into the second position, the ratchet element entraining the ~~guide or~~ running rail by the catch held in the receptacle in the closing direction of the drawer[.]; and
 - a cylindrical housing fixedly arranged to the ratchet housing, the cylindrical housing comprising
 - a spring assembly ~~comprises~~ comprising a piston and a spring,
 - the piston having a piston rod projecting outwardly from one end of the cylindrical housing, and
 - the spring being arranged between the piston and ~~one of the end walls~~ an end wall that at least partially closes off an end face of the cylindrical housing, and
 - the spring being adapted to pretension the movable ratchet element via the piston rod.

2. (Currently Amended) The self-closing drawer guide of claim 1, wherein ~~the one an~~ end of the ratchet housing facing the piston rod is provided with an elongated extension which

supports the cylindrical housing that receives the pretensioned spring.

3. (Currently Amended) The self-closing drawer guide of claim 2, wherein the ratchet housing and the extension that supports the cylindrical housing form an elongated rail-like integral component.

4. (Currently Amended) The self-closing drawer guide of claim 3, wherein the integral component is an integrated plastic component.

5. (Currently Amended) The self-closing drawer guide according to claim [[7]] 1, wherein the center rail is supported for longitudinal movement relative to the running rail and the guide rail, said center rail supporting the running rail and the guide rail with a vertical mutual spacing therebetween, and wherein the ratchet housing and the spring assembly are arranged in the intermediate space between the running rail and the guide rail.

6. (Currently Amended) The self-closing drawer guide of claim 5, wherein ~~the ratchet housing that movably supports the ratchet element is arranged on the running rail, while the catch~~ is arranged on the guide rail.

7. (Currently Amended) The self-closing drawer guide of claim 5-6, further comprising a center rail disposed between the guide rail and the running rail.